

STATEMENT OF FAITH:

Preparations and Guidelines

Your statement of faith should talk about what you believe. To do that, here is a way to structure what you write. **DON'T FREAK OUT.** You do not need to answer every question in each section. But, you should answer 3 or 4 questions from EACH section (so, choose around 9-12 questions). You are free to write as much as you would like. But, I do ask that you **WRITE AT LEAST 550 WORDS, containing 3 meaty paragraphs (one for each section listed below).**

If you want to do something on the creative side (although writing is also creative), you may write/record a song, create a painting, or make a collage, etc. **BUT**, this creative project must express your faith and you do need to write something to accompany the piece explaining its connection to your faith along the lines of the questions below.

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Answer 3 or 4 from each topic:

Section I: What you believe...

Who is Jesus Christ?

What does it mean that he died for you?

What do you believe about the character of God?

(I believe God is loving, forgiving, etc.)

Why is the Bible important?

What do you like about the Presbyterian Church?

What practices of the church are most important to you?

What is the most important aspect of being a Christian?

Section II: Why Do You Believe...

Why do you want to join the church?

Who has helped you to become a Christian?

What has been the most memorable spiritual experience in your life?

Have you ever felt the love of Jesus or the power of God in your life?

What experiences have you had in church that have helped you believe in God?

Section III: How Do You Plan to Live Out Your Faith...

How do you plan to be involved in the church?

What gifts do you have from God that you want to use to serve Jesus?

How would you like to change the church to strengthen it?

What do you think God want you to do with your life?

Questions that I have about faith are...

KEEP IN MIND:

1) No plagiarism! We would rather have something less eloquent, more true to your own experience, and in your own words than something you lift from somewhere.

2) The reason we want it well before Confirmation Dinner is so we can read it beforehand!